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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA

RONALD HOLTZ,

v.

Plaintiff,

MARTHA KARR, MARVIN SPENCER, C KOLLIN, SHARLA JAMESHUTCHISON, K MILLER, BRASWELL, JUDY SNOW, DANNY OTA, M. JOURNEY, RICHARD ODEGARD, PIERCE COUNTY

DETENTION AND CORRECTIONS
CENTER, MICHAEL KAWAMURA,

RICHARD WHITEHEAD, DEPARTMENT OF ASSIGNED

₅ COUNSEL,

Defendants.

No. C12-5111 RJB/KLS

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION Noted For: October 5, 2012

Plaintiff Ronald Holtz is presently confined at the Pierce County Jail. He has been granted leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. ECF No. 12. On July 12, 2012, the Court directed service of Plaintiff's amended petition. ECF No. 21. Before service on all defendants was complete and counsel for defendants had entered an appearance, Plaintiff filed a "Motion for No Contact". ECF No. 24. Plaintiff seeks a Court Order restricting all Defendants from "any and/or all communication with Plaintiff … whether it be third party, telephonic, or within the scope of hearing and presence." ECF No. 24, p. 1. He requests to be transferred and states that he "fears for his life." *Id.*, p. 2. Plaintiff served the Clerk of this Court and the Pierce County Prosecuting

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Attorney/Civil Division with his motion. *Id.*, p. 3. Defendants have not been served with this motion.

The undersigned recommends that the Plaintiff's motion be stricken from the Court's docket at this time. The Court does not reach the merits of Plaintiff's motion.

DISCUSSION

Under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(a)(1), no preliminary injunction can be issued without notice to the opposing party. A temporary restraining order may be granted under Rule 65(b), but only if:

- 1) it clearly appears from specific facts shown by affidavit or by the verified complaint that immediate and irreparable injury, loss or damage will result to the applicant before the adverse party or that party's attorney can be heard in opposition, and
- 2) the [applicant] certifies to the court in writing the efforts, if any, which have been made to give the notice and the reasons supporting the claim that notice should not be required.

If Plaintiff seeks relief from the Court, he must set forth his requests in a pleading or motion and that he must serve copies of all pleadings and motions on all Defendants through their counsel of record pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 5(b)(1). Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 5(d), Plaintiff is also required to attach and file a certificate of service stating that he has served all Defendants with the pleading and/or motion every time he files and serves a document. Unless otherwise ordered by the Court, all motions will be decided without oral argument and parties are not to appear on the date the motion is noted unless directed. CR 7(b)(4).

Accordingly, the undersigned recommends that Plaintiff's motion (ECF No. 24) be **stricken from the Court's docket.** Plaintiff may file a motion for temporary restraining order and serve it on all Defendants. Plaintiff should keep in mind that any issues raised in any such motion must be related to the issues raised in his complaint and he must establish the following: REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION - 2

(1) a likelihood of success on the merits, (2) a likelihood of irreparable injury to the plaintiff if injunctive relief is not granted, (3) a balance of hardships favoring the plaintiff, and (4) advancement of the public interest. *Winter v. Natural Res. Def. Council*, 555 U.S. 7, 129 S.Ct. 365, 376, 172 L.Ed.2d 249 (2008) (quoting *Amoco Prod. Co. v. Gambell*, 480 U.S. 531, 542, 107 S.Ct. 1396, 94 L.Ed.2d 542 (1987)). If Plaintiff does re-file his motion, he must also file a certificate of service stating he has served all Defendants, through their counsel, with the motion. The motion may be scheduled on the Court's calendar for the third Friday after filing and service of the motion.

CONCLUSION

The undersigned recommends that the Plaintiff's motion for preliminary injunction (ECF No. 24) be **stricken** from the Court's docket. The Court does not reach the merits of the Plaintiff's motion.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b), the parties shall have

fourteen (14) days from service of this Report to file written objections. See also Fed. R. Civ. P. 6. Failure to file objections will result in a waiver of those objections for purposes of appeal. *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140 (1985). Accommodating the time limit imposed by Rule 72(b), the Clerk is directed to set the matter for consideration on **October 5, 2012**, as noted in the caption.

DATED this 17th day of September, 2012.

Karen L. Strombom

United States Magistrate Judge

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